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Germany has poured her best blood on the ground and has mighty little to show for it.

The Lakeland Telegram continues to prosper. It has enlarged to a seven-column quarto, and keeps full of live news.

It is reported that Senator Vardaman of Mississippi is about to introduce into Congress a bill for the repeal of the fifteenth amendment. That amendment will never be repealed, and a Southern congressman wastes his time and injures his section when he tries to have it repealed.

The first number of the Daytona Morning Journal is to hand, and is as bright and handsome as we would expect a paper presided over by Hugh Sparkman to be. Daytona is one of the prettiest and liveliest cities on the American continent, and the Star hopes Mr. Sparkman will stay with it and preside over its daily journalism for the next half a century.

The Daytona Journal gives the following item concerning a former Ocala citizen: "Mr. D. D. Rogers, an old citizen, called yesterday and asked us to send to his residence the first issue of the daily. He further requested us to send the daily to his son, W. D. Rogers, who is connected with the San Juan garage at Orlando."

It has been suggested that Kitchen's new army might land in Belgium and take the western line of German fortifications in the rear, and the plan is so obviously proper that it is more than probable that the Germans are expecting it. If the forward movement that the French are making in Alsace goes much further, they are likely to soon be in a position to turn the German line from the other end. That entrenched battle across northern France will see some changes soon.

Governor Trammell has recently removed a couple of county officials who were under charges. But he has failed thus far to do what is so plainly his duty—the removal of the men constituting the board of managers of the state industrial school for boys.—Tampa Times.

It seems to the Star like the governor should hustle these men out of office in a hurry. Their negligence has resulted in a horror beside which the misuse of public funds seems trivial.

As will be seen by the official report elsewhere, Judge Bullock has ordered the reference to Mr. R. L. Anderson in the presentment of the late grand jury expunged from the records of the court. Without going into any of the causes or merits of the dispute, it seemed to the Star at the time, and we have heard it stated by many citizens, that the grand jury went out of its province in alluding to this matter, and the action of Judge Bullock will meet wide-spread commendation.

The man who bought liquor for a boy escaped easily by being permitted to leave town in a hurry. Passing on our neck do weels to other towns is not a sound solution of the problem.—St. Petersburg Independent.

If it has always seemed to the Star like it was the best policy for a community to punish evil doers at the place where their evil deeds were committed, instead of putting a premium on crime by giving them a chance to impose on some other town and county.

To Editor Benjamin of the Ocala Star: Thirteen months old baby shot above eye yesterday in Clearwater by a lad who was learning the rudiments of a shotgun, following Benjamin's idea of teaching the boy to use firearms. If the shot had been one inch lower the baby would have been blinded for life or killed.—Clearwater Sun.

To Editor Powell of the Clearwater Sun: The Clearwater lad, or his natural guardian, was not following

Benjamin's idea. If he had, he would have known better than to let the muzzle of the gun point at the baby. That is the way we were instructed and the way we have instructed others, and it has always worked well.

Why do Powell and Straub, and some other people who show signs of intelligence at other times, insist that the Star has said that guns should be given to children to play with? If any man can find anything of the sort in the files of the Star we will pay his fare to and from Ocala and give him ten dollars to boot.

"A PLEASING CORRECTION"

In its issue of Tuesday, the Times-Union very courteously corrected its allusions to the Star, made a couple of days previously, and adds:

"We admitted that we might be mistaken as to the general attitude of the Star and it turns out that we were, and we hope this may lead the Star to believe that it may have been mistaken as to our general attitude toward the president. We have never condemned Mr. Wilson for doing a thing we would not have condemned in Mr. Underwood. Perhaps some vigorous expression of our dissent was taken by the Star as the type of our feeling, just as we may have taken some vigorous dissent of the Star from our position as a type of its feeling. We are glad to find we were mistaken, for the Times-Union is not as careless of the opinion of the Star as it thinks—and doubtless correctly—that President Wilson is of the opinion of the Times-Union."

It is more than likely that if we all understood each other, there would be very little dispute and no ill feeling. The Star has no doubt that the Times-Union always desires the welfare and good government of the country, and that when it differs from the Star it is only on the means to attain the end. President Wilson is not a demi-god and his mistakes should be criticised—the Star asks only that they be treated in the kindly spirit that it thinks is due to the high character of the man. If the Times-Union could see some of its criticisms of the president thru the eyes of his friends, it would not wonder that they sometimes think it is unjust. We will only ask it to put itself a little more in other people's places, and assure it that its expressions will always be regarded by the Star with the respect due to the sincere opinion of a great newspaper, which the Star would rather agree with than criticise any day.

TEN DAY SHORT COURSE FOR FARMERS

Editor Star: Knowing that you have been in close touch with the demonstration work of your county, I write to ask your attention and extend you a special invitation to attend the ten day short course for farmers, which will be held at the college of agriculture of the university at Gainesville, beginning January 12, and ending January 22, 1915. This course is especially suited to busy farmers who desire additional knowledge of scientific agriculture, and for young men who desire to devote a short time to special preparation for work on the farm.

The course will consist of lectures, laboratory, and field work covering 8 to 10 hours a day. All the various topics in modern agriculture will be handled by experienced teachers of the college of agriculture, and opportunity will be given to select subjects preferred. This is a splendid opportunity for you and any of your friends who desire to get in touch with the latest resources of agricultural information, to do so at low cost of time and money.

The total cost of the course is so low that your railroad fare to and from Gainesville will probably be the largest item. Tuition is free. Board and room can be secured either in the University Dormitory or at nearby residences for \$3.50 to \$4 per week. Books and incidental expenses will cost from \$5 to \$10. This will make a total cost of \$10 to \$15 besides railroad fare, for the entire term. For further information write Prof. J. J. Vernon, Dean, College of Agriculture. Yours truly, C. K. McQuarrie, State Agt.

LARGE PARTY OF TOURISTS AT THE OCALA HOUSE

Among the Ocala House arrivals today is a party of tourists which is being conducted through Florida by Mr. W. A. Huber of Mechanicsburg, Pa. During the forenoon today they have been taking in Silver Springs and other attractions, and left this afternoon for St. Petersburg and other South Florida points.

In the party are Mrs. Huber and daughters, Misses Marie and Thelma, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Horner of Washington, D. C., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Snavey, Mr. and Mrs. John Harlach and son, and Miss Rowe of Mechanicsburg; Mr. and Mrs. George D. Harding of Chicago; Mrs. Harris of Baltimore; Miss Barr of Pittsburg; Mr. Martin of Eastern Shore, Md.; Mr. Charles Lutz of Carlisle, Pa.; Miss Righter of York, Pa., and Miss Whisler of Yorkhaven, Pa.

The party seems especially well pleased with our section of the state, and all are very high in their praises of the manner in which they have been treated by mine host, Louis N. Long, at the Ocala House.

INSTALLATION AND BANQUET OF TULULA LODGE

The Odd Fellows had a large attendance Tuesday night, which was the occasion of their semi-annual installation of officers. The installing officer was Mr. W. L. Colbert, who was assisted by Mr. Jake Brown. The officers installed were as follows:

Past grand, J. H. Benjamin; noble grand, J. D. Wilkes; vice grand, Jos. W. Dodge; secretary, W. L. Colbert; treasurer, Geo. L. Taylor; chaplain, W. H. Coleman; warden, E. L. Stapp; conductor, H. R. Luffman; R. S. N. G., Jake Brown; L. S. N. G., W. C. Blanchard; R. S. V. G., M. M. Little; L. S. V. G., Chas. W. Smith; I. G., H. D. Stokes; O. G., J. D. McCaskill; R. S., Barney Spencer; L. S. S., L. E. Yonce.

After the installation some time was passed in talks for the "good of the order." Several good addresses were delivered, among them one from State Attorney Scofield, who found his first lodge home with the Odd Fellows.

After the meeting, the members proceeded to Dewey's, where they enjoyed one of the excellent suppers the Merchants' Cafe is famous for spreading—oysters in all styles and the good things that go with them.

Tulula Lodge has had a successful year from a point of work—has enlisted a number of new members with several others on the list. During the year, the lodge has paid in sick benefits and other help to members \$522.55, and aid given by individual Odd Fellows has no record.

INSTALLATION BY THE PYTHIAN SISTERS

The Pythian Sisters installed officers for the term at a well attended meeting Tuesday evening. Beginning next Tuesday, the lodge will meet at 2:30 every Tuesday afternoon, which will give the members a better opportunity to attend than in the evening.

The new officers are as follows: Emma C. Burnett, installing officer; Mrs. R. B. Dyal, marshal; Fannie F. Anthony, P. C.; Mrs. Sarah C. Blitch, M. E. C.; Agnes Forney, E. S.; Annie Frank, E. J.; Susie Baxter, Mgr.; Essie Spencer, O. G.; Gussie Gober, protector; Kate B. Howell, M. R. C.; Mildred E. Goddard, M. of F.; Leila Tompkins, trustee.

LESLIE HORNE BURNED OUT

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Horne of York have the sympathy of friends in the loss of their home by fire Sunday morning, Dec. 27. The fire originated from a heater in the bed room occupied by Mr. Horne's sister about 8 o'clock, and in thirty minutes the entire house and practically all of the contents were consumed by the flames. Mr. and Mrs. Horne saved only a few pieces of clothing and several pieces of furniture in the front part of the house. Miss Horne, who was visiting her brother, lost everything except the dress she wore.

Mr. and Mrs. Horne are now living at his turpentine still, five miles from York, where they lived before they moved to Ocala, several years ago.

A NEW YEAR GREETING

Editor Star: Enclosed please find money order for \$2 for the Weekly Star, which greets me weekly and seems as tho I could not do without it, as I have been a subscriber ever since 1900.

I hope that this may be a very prosperous and profitable New Year to the Star and its many readers.

Mrs. D. H. Matthews.

Hawthorne, Florida, Jan. 1st, 1915.

Try that delicious buttermilk at Gerig's. 6-1f

IT WAS IRRELEVANT

Judge Bullock Ordered Grand Jury Reference to R. L. Anderson Expunged from the Record

In the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Marion County.

To the Honorable W. S. Bullock, the Judge of Said Court:

Comes now the undersigned, R. L. Anderson, in his individual right, and also as a member of the bar and an officer of this court, and shows to the court as follows:

That the grand jury impaneled and serving at the present fall term of this court in a general presentment which has been filed and has become a part of the record of this court, inserted and included in such general presentment the following, to-wit:

"We endeavored to locate and find who was at fault with reference to lost notices in connection with the paving certificates issued by the city of Ocala against the property of R. L. Anderson, but have been unable to place the blame on any particular party. It occurs to us that a wealthy citizen of a progressive city like Ocala should possess enough patriotism and interest of the government under which he lives at heart enough to pay for these public improvements without taking the matter into court."

Which said words above quoted refer to certain matters litigated in this court between the city of Ocala and the said R. L. Anderson.

Thereupon the said R. L. Anderson moves the court that the said portion of such general presentment as above quoted be expunged from the records of this court, and that an order be entered expunging the same.

The grounds of said motion are as follows:

1. That the matters referred to in said paragraph of the general presentment above quoted relate to a suit now pending in this court between the city of Ocala and the said Anderson, as to which any expression of opinion on the part of the grand jury is not only irrelevant and impertinent, but is an attempted interference by that body in pending litigation in this court, and is entirely outside of the proper duty or function of a grand jury.

2. The insertion of said matter in said general presentment is a palpable attempt to abuse and degrade the proper office and function of a grand jury of this court.

3. The said grand jury was without power or authority to make such private affairs the subject of their criticism, the same being matters in which the public has no such interest as would warrant said action.

4. That said act of the grand jury is an evil precedent, and tends to degrade and prostitute the process of the court to merely personal and private uses.

R. L. Anderson, In Proper Person.

Upon presentation of the above motion the following order was made:

This motion is sustained on the third ground, and that part of the report of the grand jury quoted in the motion is expunged from the report, and does not form a part thereof.

W. S. Bullock, Judge.

In open court January 4, 1915.

OCALA CHERO-COLA COMPANY

Mr. W. N. Lane of Georgia, is in the city to get ready for opening business for the Chero-Cola Company. Mr. Lane's family will arrive in a few days, as will his partners, and their families, Mr. R. E. Layton and another gentleman, whose name we did not learn. "Ten good Georgia crackers" to be added to our city's population, as Mr. Lane expressed it.

The machinery for the Chero-Cola Bottling Company has been in the A. C. L. depot in this city for the past several weeks, and will be placed in its new location and the company ready for business within thirty days. Those who are posted on bottling works machinery, say the machinery here to be used by this company is the finest they have ever seen, and certainly it is of the latest make and the most improved and labor saving of its kind.

Mr. Lane will have charge of the selling end of the business and says he will make the territory, covering it thoroughly in an automobile truck, and will deliver his goods by truck to all of the nearer places.

Mr. Layton, an experienced bottler and office man, will have charge of the manufacturing and accounting end of the business.

The gentlemen have put their own money into the enterprise and expect to make a big success of it. In other localities the chero-cola drink has been a big seller, and they expect to make it equally as popular here. The general manager of the advertising department of the head office of the Chero-Cola Company will spend a month with them as soon as they are open for business and help them get their advertising campaign started.

As this paper stated some time since, it looks like there will be something doing in the bottling business in Ocala.

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